



City Council Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 01, 2024 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, February 01, 2024, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers and via video conferencing, in Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

Council members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being four):

Kevin McCambly Steve Carriere Curt Armstrong
Bert Luckhurts Kaleb Westfall Michael Bennett

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of January 11, 2024, Regular Council Meeting

MOTION: Kaleb Westfall moved, and Steve Carriere seconded the motion to approve the January 11, 2024 council meeting minutes in block.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Staff have asked that Resolutions 2024-11 and 2024-12; be added to the agenda under Ordinances and Resolution as number 8 and 9.

MOTION: Michael Bennett moved, and Kaleb Westfall seconded the motion to approve the agenda and adding 2024-11 and 12 as requested.

VOTING Yea (to amend): Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

STAFF REPORTS

2. REPORTS

- a) *Strategic Plan Report* – no update
- b) *Manager Staff Report*
 - Jail contract has been received, need contract passed tonight as jail is open and operational.

- Auditors are on site for 2nd week of FY23 Audit.
 - FY22 Audit reading is being completed, looks well.
 - FY23 Audit noted 2 funds that have not been reconciled. These have been reconciled and corrected.
 - The attorney has been working with Police Department to update policy and procedure manual.
 - February 23rd and 24th holding a vaccination clinic at animal control.
 - Comp plan in process.
 - Melody Rybeck is going to be in town February 10, 2024.
- c) *Standing Committee Reports (Appointments)*
- Finance and Budget Committee report on FY2022-FY2023, Fund 44-10.
 - MOU committee has met after 2 year hiatus. Next meeting to April 8, 2024. Committee to work together for cooperative work between City and Tribe.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NONE

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

- *Kate Woods*
Addressed resolution number 2024-09 about the loan for the water extension to the Dillingham Airport. Concerned that haven't finished connecting public workshop to water and sewer first. Would also like to see other downtown areas improved as well.
- *Maria Dosal*
Question for clarity on 2.5M donation and upcoming projects included in detailed in Resolution 2024-10. What projects are included? Is a city community center included? Mayor directed the citizen to pull up resolution online and note the specific projects listed.
- *Megan Armstrong*
Addressed resolution number 2024-10. Concerned about conflict of interest for person in position of leadership of the municipality and the tribe earmarking funds on behalf of the tribe and municipality. Not all tribe members live in the municipality yet tribe is taking on cost of municipality projects.
- *Rosemary Tucker*
Concerned about resolution 2024-10 and ask Council to pause on accepting the donation at this time.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

3. Resolution 2024-07: A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Waiving the one Year Prohibition on a Council Member Serving as City Manager.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution No. 2024-07 made by Steve Carriere. Seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

VOTING Yea: Council Member Carriere, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

VOTING No: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Armstrong.

4. Resolution 2024-08: A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Appointing Kimberly Johonson as City Manager.

MOTION: To move Resolution 2024-08 to the consent agenda at the next council meeting made by Michael Bennett, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

5. Resolution 2024-09; A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Authorizing the City Manager to Apply to the State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) for a loan from the Alaska Drinking Water Fund/ Alaska Clean Water Fund for the Project Entitled Municipal Water-Line Extension to the State of Alaska of Dillingham Airport.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 2024-09 made by Kaleb Westfall, seconded by Steve Carriere.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

6. Resolution 2024-10 A Resolution to Accept a \$2.5 Million Donation from the Curyng Tribe for City Improvement Projects.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 2024-10 made by Steve Carriere, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

- Discussion regarding that the money is donated by the Chiefs of the Tribe and discussed with the Finance Committee of the City. No one person makes the decision and the Tribe and City have a memorandum of understanding regarding sharing grant money to help the City leverage funds.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

7. Resolution 2024-11 A Resolution of Dillingham City Council Accepting Jail Contract from the State of Alaska for Operating the Regional and Community Jail.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 2024-11 made by Michael Bennett, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett.

8. Resolution 2024-12 A Resolution of Dillingham City Council Correcting Information on Resolution 2024-05 FY2024 Legislative Priorities List.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 2024-12 made by Steve Carriere, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**9. Pearson Consulting**

- Council to provide direction (continue contract or discontinue contract)

MOTION: To end the Contract with Team Pearson moved by Steve Carriere, seconded by Michael Bennett.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall.

Voting No: Council Member Carriere, Council Member Bennett.

10. Organizational Chart (Action Item)

MOTION: To adopt the proposed Organizational Chart moved by Michael Bennett, seconded Kaleb Westfall.

MOTION: to amend the motion to provide separate Administrative Assistance for City Clerk and Planning Director moved by Kaleb Westfall, seconded by Michael Bennett.

VOTING Yea (with amendment): Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett

NEW BUSINESS

11. Float Repair – information provided in packet. No discussion needed.

12. Lobbyist Request for Proposal – information in packet. Discussion of why need new lobbyist.

CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

Maria Dosel

- Continued concerns about Resolution 2024-10.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- Urged council members to support the Wood-Tikchik State Park plan.
- Encouraged Council Members to consider attending the Southwest Municipal Conference SWAMC.
- A moment of silence was observed for those lost since the last meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION**13. Personnel Matter Update, Matters which by law are required to be confidential.**

MOTION: Kaleb Westfall moved and Steve Carriere seconded the motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matter.

VOTING Yea: Council Member McCambly, Council Member Carriere, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Luckhurst, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting.

Mayor Alice Ruby

ATTEST: _____

Abigail Flynn, Acting City Clerk

Approval Date: _____